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EDITORIAL

The April issue of The Pacific under w form and management brought any kind words, verbal and written, suring the office that the news sheet the real solution of our long-standing oblem of financing the paper. With me of the first letters came substan- l checks covering new subscriptions. lo Alto leads the list with forty-nine w subscribers and Alameda second th twenty-five. A number of pastors ve promised lists at an early date, nning from forty to seventy-five. At is rate we can have the paper on a ying basis by the time the Conference eets in October.

There are still many who are in ar- ars. A score or more made immedi- e response by sending enough to cover e past obligations as well as the year advance. A few sent payment for the rears on the basis of the new price. thers settled on the former basis. It ill help the Conference quite materially we can get prompt remittances cover- g the past at the rate of the dollar early and the current year at the more opular price of twenty-five cents.

We may be able to issue the paper ithout advertising. Up to date we ave not solicited any firm nor planned o sell space above that now taken. If, owever, there are friends of the cause ishing such space we will submit rates n request. The main object at pres- nt is to get a subscription list of three housand. This means about one-fifth f our Conference membership. With uch a list we can broadcast much of ur information that has formerly re- uired circular letters.

If the articles sent to us do not get ublication as sent, it is because we are rying to limit the paper to the definite urpose of furnishing news of the hurches and promoting our Conference ork. It is not our purpose to crowd ut anything that is informing. Send s the facts as briefly stated as possi- le. Send them as often as you discover hem. In these days of the radio we uggest that all contributors learn the isdom of getting a condenser and use t freely.

The next issue will contain the Easter eports as to numbers added and special Easter offerings forwarded. This goes to press too early to report more than one or two that were prompt in reporting. The indications are that it was a day of great audiences and inspiring services. The details will be duly recorded. Thanks for the splendid response to the April appeal for news and subscriptions.

SECRETARIES VISIT HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Rev. L. O. Baird, D. D., superintendent of Washington Conference, will go to Hawaii as the representative of the Commission on Missions, and Secretary G. W. Hinman will accompany him to visit the mission work aided by the American Missionary Association and to promote interest in its mainland work. They will leave May 21 and expect to return six weeks later..

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YOUNG PEOPLE HOLD WEEK-END CONFERENCE

The return of Dr. Miles Fisher to the Pacific Coast as Student Pastor and Director of Religious Education at Berkeley First Church, and incidentally as Chairman of the Northern California Conference Committee on Young People's Work, has been the occasion for the renaissance of the week-end Conference for Congregational young people, following an interval of four years. Like its predecessor, it was opened in North Church, beginning with a mixer on the evening of April 11, followed by a banquet at Calvary Presbyterian, and an evening of fun, crowned with a fine address by Rev. Fred W. Morrison of San Jose.

Saturday morning the session began with an impressive service of worship in which the beautiful new organ led for the first time. Then came discussion of questions proposed by the young people in attendance, under the leadership of four of their number, and here was begun the serious work of the gathering, the questions ranging over life work, aims, how to make Christian contracts in school and daily life, Sunday work and recreation, and methods of work in young people's societies.

Saturday afternoon was given over to recreation outdoors, under experienced guides, and at six all gathered at Live Oak Park for a picnic supper and sing. Back at North Church at eight, Dr. Larkin gave his splendid talk and pictures on astronomy, a fine culmination to the serious spirit of the day; there followed a play by the delegation from Oakland First and the delegates, numbering one hundred and sixteen, were scattered among the members of Berkeley First and North.

Sunday morning at 9:45 all the young people met at Berkeley First in one group and with Mrs. Hinman as leader discussed some of the unfinished questions of the day before, then stayed to hear Mr. McCall's Palm Sunday sermon. At four Dr. Lynn White led in a fine service of definite consecration to the Christian life, to church obligations, to character development and to Christian life service. About one hundred and twenty were in attendance. After a buffet supper, in which the young people of Berkeley First were hosts, the conference closed with a union Christian Endeavor meeting led by Irwin Addicott of Berkeley First and Arnold Joyal of North.

Dr. Fisher and his helpers are to be congratulated on their accomplishment, the earnest and purposeful spirit of the young people, the high character of the program and the plans under way for a better conference next year.

K. B. H.

OUTLINE NEW PLANS AT STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Old timers called it the State Sunday School Convention but the changing demands and enlarging program have caused a change of name to describe more adequately the new program of religious education. On April 3, 4, 5 and 6 the State Council of Religious Education met at Sacramento with a program that in some respects was one of the strongest California has ever had. Marion Lawrence, veteran general secretary of the old International Association, gave several addresses bridging from old to new. Dr. H. H. Guy called us to a living of faith as we seek to build a new world.

Prof. J. W. Bailey brought a series of studies on "The Master Teacher" that caused his hearers to realize more vividly the greatness of Jesus as a teacher, and also glorified the service of teaching in the church.

State Superintendent of Schools Will C. Wood made the audience that filled Westminster Church feel the urgency of religious education to meet the needs of the times in which we live, and Prof. Herbert F. Evans outlined the new plans that promise large results in the child-centered church of the coming days. An entire morning was given to Vacation Church School work, and an entire afternoon to the new plans and experiments for week-day religious education. The convention was also characterized by a series of five cumulative class discussion hours covering the practical problems in each of five different departments of the Church School.

From every side came expressions of the worth-whileness of every session. Our public school principal said, "This instruction and these addresses are marvellous. Why are there not four thousand present, instead of four hundred?" This is indeed our problem. The new type of Council of Religious Education is eminently worth-while and our church school workers must plan to avail themselves of it.

One more word—the newly reorganized State Council is about three thousand dollars in debt because of transition delays. Every Sunday School in California should send at once to the State Council of Religious Education office, 5 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco, a sum equal to ten cents per enrolled pupil. With this support voted by our State Conference, Congregationalists will do their share of this grea co-operative work in religious education and will make possible plans now held in abeyance because of lack of funds.

H. F. E.

CHILDREN'S DAY SET FOR JUNE 8

Continuing the practice of former years, the Sunday School Extension Society is issuing a program for Children's Day, which this year comes on June 8. By agreement between the seven missionary societies, June in the month for special interest in Sunday School Extension work.

The service this year consists of a sixteen-page program for the use of the entire congregation and school, and a four-page supplement which is for the use of those who are training the children. Offering envelopes are supplied to schools which have no provision for contributing to the Extension Society in their plan of benevolence.

This offering will be used for the work of organizing new Mission Schools and the financing of fifty Congregational College Young People, who will go out during the summer months to do missionary and religious educational work. Last year fifty-four young folks were commissioned for such service.

WORLD SERVICE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL INCREASES

Since the last announcement concerning enrollments in the World Service School, five more churches have adopted the Plan. They are: Craig Memorial, Paradise; Adin, Oleander, Hayward and Tipton; North Berkeley should have been included previously, so that the present total is twenty-two enrolled schools. Those who are districuting the Certificates and literature believe many churches that were engrossed in preparations for Easter will now find time to devote to the World Service School and will send in their enrollment cards.

SEMINARY CONFERS TWELVE DEGREES

The fifty-eighth annual Commencement of Pacific School of Religion was held on Thursday, May 1st. The program of the day consisted of a closing Chapel service at 9 a. m., class Communion at 10:00 a. m., Alumni business meeting at 11:30 a. m., Alumni luncheon on the lawn at 12:30 p. m., a reception bp President and Mrs. Swartz at 4 p. m. and graduation exercises at the First Congregational Church, Berkeley, at 8 p. m.

Dr. George F. Kenngott of Los Angeles delivered the Commencement address on "The Teaching Function of the Church." President Swartz conferred the following degrees: The diploma of the school upon Arthur S. Ford; the degree of Master of Arts upon Irwin O. Addicatt, Leoda M. Grebe, Lot M. Isaacs, Kelly O'Neall, Arthur E. Paterson, Edward V. Tenney; the degree of Bachelor of Divinity upon Forest I. Hall, Allan R. Goozee, L. V. Lewis and Carl D. Wells; the degree of Doctor of Theology upon J. N. R. Score.

WEEK DAY CHURCH SCHOOL IS A SUCCESS

During the past three months about ninety children of the South Berkeley community have been in attendance at a new center of the Berkeley Week Day Church Schools at Park Congregational Church.

Last January the Board of Religious Education asked students in Pacific School of Religion to aid in the city-wide week-day church schools. The students responded with the proposal that they would be responsible for an entire center if Prof. Herbert F. Evans would supervise their work. The Board accepted the offer, the Park Congregational Church offered their building, and the Lincoln-Longfellow Center of the Berkeley Week-Day Church Schools was opened early in February. The entire staff was provided by members of classes in Religious Education in Pacific School.

The program was unique in some ways. Immediately after school on Mondays the children came to the church. There was a period of directed play, followed by a cup of fruit punch and graham crackers. The children then marched into the church for a ten-minute period of worship. The Bible study was planned as a "Ten Weeks' Tour of the Holy Land." Dr. Evans of Pacific School was the conductor, by stereopticon, of the party which travelled across the United States, taking ship at New York, visiting great cathedrals on the way, landing at Jaffa.

From week to week the children were taken to places familiar to the life of Jesus. At each significant place the party paused and under the leadership of the Pacific School students the pupils were taught the leading events and teachings related to Jesus. Notebooks were kept illustrated by reproductions of good paintings. The interest and enthusiasm were sustained throughout the three months. Dean Bade and Dr. C. C. McCown each aided with an illustrated talk for the children. It was a happy experience for both children and leaders, and will doubtless be repeated.

SPRING ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Upper Bay—Rio Vista, May 13.

Santa Clara—Saratoga, May 6 and 7.

Sonoma—Santa Rosa, May 13.

Sacramento Valley—Auburn, May 6 and 7.

San Joaquin—Porterville, May 28.

BOOK REVIEW

"Personality and Psychology," by Prof. John Wright Buckham of The Pacific School of Religion is the kind of a book that no minister can afford to be without. Not only should he buy his own copy, but he ought to encourage his Board of Trustees to invest money enough to procure at least six to be loaned to those members of his congregation who are really puzzled by much that they hear and read just now about the problems of psychology and religion. The book merits the publisher's description, "a guide book for the thoughtful man" in the affairs of the self and its welfare. The author has read widely present day psychological literature, both technical and in its derivative form of fiction.

The temper of the author's mind and the style of his writing ought to win him a good reading from that multitudinous army of lay people who are reading everything about the self that is described as Psychology with a capital P. It is worth its $1.75 net.

"Builders of the Church," by Robert Leonard Tucker, is a welcome addition to the volumes comprising the Week-Day School series of the Abingdon Press Religious Education Texts. As a first book in the study of the personalities and movements of the Christian Church, it is excellently worth while. There is enough color in the author's style and enough partisanship in his views to interest students of high school age for whom his writing is intended. We can readily believe that any ambitious and thoughtful teacher of such a class will conclude after reading this book that here he has just what he wants to broaden, widen and deepen the Christian conceptions of his class. It is not without interest to note that the first person in the book is Paul the Apostle and the last is Theodore Roosevelt. The textbook value of the work is enhanced by a skilful formulation of questions at the end of each chapter. $1.75 net.

"LISTEN IN" ON THIS

"Shut-ins" from Mission Park Church, San Francisco, have had their lives brightened by the effectiveness of a new scheme which their pastor, Rev. Godfrey Matthews, has adopted. With the help of some of the boys in the church, Mr. Matthews has made six radio receiving sets and distributed them among the invalid members.

The radio sets are made in conformity with the Bureau of Standards' specifications, and the simplicity with which they operate and their clearness in receiving programs from local stations lessen the dull moments for many whose lives cannot always be bright.

In this Conference there are sixty-eight ministers with pastorates and seventy-four without.

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BAY MINISTERS' FROLIC

Everything is set for the Ministers' outdoor meeting and picnic to be held at 11:00 o'clock Monday morning, May 5, at Live Oak Park, North Berkeley.

Dr. H. C. Bryant of the University of California will talk on the "Common Birds of California."

The ministers' wives and the club members are especially invited to come and enjoy themselves to the utmost. Everyone should bring his own lunch, and coffee will be furnished by the club.

This is how to get there: At Berkeley Station transfer to a "D" or "N" street car and get off at Rose Street. The park is between Walnut, Berryman, Shattuck and Eunice Streets. Allow one hour from San Francisco Ferry and about the same from the center of Oakland. Grove Street cars may be taken at Washington and Twelfth Streets. From San Francisco one should take the Southern Pacific train marked Shattuck and get off at Berryman station and go one block east to the park.

"GREATEST PREACHER TO RELIEVE DR. GORDON

"The greatest preacher in America," according to Dr. James L. Gordon, will carry on the work at First Church, San Francisco, while Dr. Gordon is absent during June and July. Rev. Frederick F. Shannon, D. D., pastor of the Central Church, Chicago, the church made famous by the ministrations of Dr. Swing and Dr. Gunsaulus, will serve as pastor of the First Church while Dr. Gordon is on a lecture tour with the White and Brown Chautauqua System, Kansas City.

Dr. Shannon's sermons are broadcasted and eagerly listened to by thousands outside the large congregation which overflows Central Church each Sunday. The Brooklyn Eagle prints this appreciation: "Today we have giants in the pulpit, and though Dr. Shannon is very much younger than many others, he is as high as the highest of them intellectually and spiritually." Dr. Shannon's books, "Sermons for Days We Observe," and "A Moneyless Magnate," a series of sermons and addresses, contain some of the great preacher's finest and most characteristic discourses.

PASTORAL CHANGES

Rev. G. L. Brakemeyer has resigned from Ebenezer Church, Lodi, and will begin work as pastor of the Biola Church about May 20. Ebenezer has called Rev. Karl L. Maier of Odessa, Washington; he will arrive and assume leadership June 15.

Rev. J. J. Kelly, Lockeford, has accepted a call to Soquel.

Park Church, Berkeley, is being ministered to by Rev. D. C. Lockwood, who began his pastorate there during April.

Dr. William Rader, formerly pastor of Mission Park Church, San Francisco, when it was known as Third Church, will serve North Church, Berkeley, during the month of May.

Olivet Church, Oakland, has called Rev. J. Vincent Jones of Patterson, who will begin his work there about the middle of May.

Rev. Arthur S. Ford has resigned from Ocean View, San Francisco. He is planning to go into the lumber district of Idaho.

Due to ill health, Rev. J. P. Jaeger has found it necessary to resign from Sunset Church, San Francisco.

China and Japan rival the United States in the number of volumes of Christian Scriptures circulated annually. The total circulated in 1923 by the American Bible Society in those Eastern countries was 2,868,605 as against 2,395,000 in the United States.

There are 991 churches among the Indians, with 360 active missionaries, and 93,388 Indians attending church.

BOOKS RECEIVED

Deuteronomy, A Prophetic Law Book; by Lindsay B. Longacree. Pages 124; price .75. The Methodist Book Concern.

Christian Ideals in Industry; by F. Ernest Johnson and Arthur E. Holt. Pages 136; price .75, postage extra. The Methodist Book Concern.

Is God Limited? by Bishop Francis J. McConnel. Pages 297; price $2.00 The Abingdon Press.

Chinese Lanterns; by Minna McEwen Meyer. Pages 142; price .75, postage extra. The Methodist Book Concern.

MR. PYE OPTIMISTIC CONCERNING CHINA

Watts O. Pye, American Board Missionary in Shansi, writes concerning China that "China is American history from 1783 to 1812 made visible." He quotes Timothy Dwight of Yale who declared of our government in 1803: "We have a country governed by blackguards and knaves. Who can paint anything more dreadful this side of hell than the corruption of the men in government positions at the Capital." Mr. Pye is optimistic concerning China. He describes three great revolutions now in progress.

The first is the intellectual revolution, by which the mind of China is rapidly turning from an unscientific, superstitious, medieaval attitude toward the nature of the universe, to the modern scientific standpoint. The second is an industrial revolution, by which mass production by steam driven machinery is dispossessing the old sysetm of hand crafts. This is breaking up the old order of society. The third is a political revolution which has set aside the autocratic, monarchial system which ruled China for four thousand years and is in process of building up a democratic China.

He adds that in the midst of the present confusion there are five constructive movements:

First is the growth of public opinion which is finding definite and effective expression. Second, is the development of education. Third, is the growing interest in religion. Fourth, popular self-government as expressed in provincial and local automomous movements. Fifth, is the growth in activity and influence of Bankers' Associations, Chambers of Commerce and educational associations.

VACANT PASTORATES

Angels Camp and San Andreas, Broadmoor, San Leandro; Alturas, Niles and Sunol Glen, Kenwood and Glen Ellen, Mill Valley, Paradise, San Rafael, Tipton, Suisun, Lockeford, Ocean View, San Francisco; Sunset, San Francisco.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED.

By T. S. Russell.

Grandma, I'm very tired of being told
How good you were when you were six years old,
How prompt at table and how clean and neat
You always were. You had a smile so sweet
That everybody loved you. I suppose
That I should be more like you. No one knows
How hard I try. But sometimes mother shakes
Her head and smiles at me, and then she takes
Me on her lap. She understands. The ways
Of little children are so changed these days.—Exchange.

"The early bird gets the garden seed."
—James J. Montague.

DR. LARKIN'S SABBATICAL YEAR

With regret Northern California releases Dr. Larkin from active parish work. Many are the farewells and hearty words of appreciation that attend him. On Good Friday at a largely attended communion service, he received twenty into membership, many of them the result of his splendid scout work.

During the last two years he has assisted North Church in establishing a new and original system of church organization with a General Director of Activities and seven departments with department directors, these directors composing the Church Cabinet, which meets regularly. During the past five years the church has tripled its giving to benevolences. At a recent church meeting the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, at the morning service of Sunday, March 16, 1924, our dearly beloved Pastor, Dr. Ralph B. Larkin, presented his resignation as minister of North Congregational Church of Berkeley, California, and this resignation was accepted at the regular meeting of the Church on April 2. 1924 and

WHEREAS, the undersigned members of the Church were named by the Moderator as a special committee to draft a resolution expressing the sentiments of the Church upon this occasion, and

WHEREAS, during the nearly seven years that Dr. Larkin has served this Church as Pastor, he has endeared himself to young and old in a way seldom given to one man, adding to his regular duties as minister the fruitful service of leading Troop 18 of the Berkeley Boy Scouts and helping to maintain an interested group of young people of high school and college age, and, more recently, serving also as Superintendent of the Sunday School, during which period also the Church has made consistent growth in membership, has grown spiritually through the inspiring and instructive sermons and high example set in daily life by their Pastor, and has increased its productive activities through the efforts of all the organizations of the Church, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this committee, on behalf of the members of North Congregational Church and the many friends of Dr. Larkin in this community, deeply regrets that circumstances, particularly the serious illness of Dr. Larkin's father, have made this step inevitable, and the committee believe they voice the universal sentiment of this Church and community in expressing such regret, and in extending to Dr. Larkin and his dear mother their love and good wishes, praying for God's blessing and guidance in all that the future holds in store, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Larkin and another copy filed in the minutes of the Church Clerk.

(Signed) ERNEST B. BABCOCK,
JOHN McCARTHY,
FRANK M. MAY.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE MEETS AT SAN DIEGO

Dr. J. B. Silcox, pastor of Mayflower Church, Pacific Grove, and Rev. E. C. Oakley, former editor of The Pacific, have been appointed the fraternal delegates from the Northern Conference to the thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Southern California Conference, which is to be held at San Diego, May 12, 13 and 14.

The general topic of the session will be "The Growing Kingdom"; on May 12 Rev. Carl S. Patton, Los Angeles, will give an address on "What is the Christian Ideal?"

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hank Offering of 1922 Means Life-saving in Turkey

being used for large numbers of es who have come to Brousa from e and are nearly destitute. Miss has started a soup kitchen for en under ten and babies, as there ch sickness among them. About children were dying every day. oney has also been used for shoes. ngs and clothes for the children. who put pennies in their boxes, ot realize that perhaps it would a baby's life.

Magazines Wanted

girls in the Brousa, Turkey, school uch interested in reading, and Miss n would like the "Youth's Com- n" or simple books.

viving Old Designs in Weaving

weaving industry has been started ousa by Miss Jillson where a num- of women are employed. They are ing old designs and patterns which in danger of dying out, and are icing beautiful pieces of handwork.

ith Sanderson Loves the Challenge

ll our medical work (in Turkey) is very precarious condition. Our e outlook seems to grow increas- difficult as this or that regulation eing imposed; but let me say there o other field where I would rather , and it's a challenge that I love to to be here. Many here feel that we on the verge of a great harvest. If of you and all of us have enough n, it will be so."

Significant Changes in Turkey

dith Sanderson writes that she is prised to find so much of real worth he Moslem religion. "It seems to me," says, "that there is a great deal that can build on and should not be lost it fits these people. On the other d, when you see the slight impres- a the religion seems to make on the sses, especially the women, it makes value all the more highly that in- tive and dynamic and inspiration for ng which we have in Christ. Such id and significant changes are taking ce in the Government that it almost es your breath away. The sending ay of the Caliph, thus getting rid of old ruling family as well as divorc- government and religion, may be beginning of a good many changes ng that direction. Who knows what s may mean in the coming of actual igious tolerance."

. Fred Goodsell, Formerly of Berkeley, a Notable Man

The impressions of missionary work in rkey of Miss Sanderson have been ry favorable so far. "It has been st fortunate that I could live here th the Goodsells this year," she ites. "Mr. Goodsell is a splendid ex- ple of a missionary who is extremely sy with many interests, but who has t ceased to grow intellectually and iritually. I find our life here at home ry stimulating. Mr. Goodsell and I ve many good talks about our whole issionary enterprise here. He has been the interior, as well as here, and he such a fine student of Turkish life. s command of the language is splen- d and he has many Turkish friends. e understands the whole situation ad- rably. He is a very busy man, but he ways had time to be interested in u. I appreciate what I am get- ng from him in point of view immense- , and I feel that in the years to come will, even more so."

OMEN'S SOCIETY HOLDS NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

One hundred and seventy-five were gistered at the Women's Missionary ciety of Northern California which held an unusually successful Neighborhood Meeting on April 15 at Saratoga. Large delegations went by automobile from the Bay region, First Church, San Francisco, sending over thirty as delegates.

The meeting was held in the new community Church, which has recently been dedicated. The morning session was occupied with reports. It was noted that Saratoga had furnished two State presidents in the late Mrs. Edwin S. Williams and Miss Laura Richards.

After Luncheon, Mr. Irwin Addicott, a student at the Pacific School of Religion, pictured what the Conferences at Indianapolis and Asilomar are doing for the young people. Another seminary student, Mr. Philip Swartz, told of conditions as he had found them in Humboldt County, where he worked last summer for the Extension Societies.

Mrs. Geo. Hinman showed how co-operation is needed among the many agencies working for Chinese in San Francisco, and told of the efforts being put forth to that end. Her report showed that the Japanese churches are self-supporting. A challenge was presented in the low figures of the Protestant church members in San Francisco in proportion to the total population.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE

Benevolences Received From March 1st-31st, 1924

Berkeley, First	$ 686.12
San Francisco, First	500.00
Fresno, First	130.00
Petaluma	90.35
Berkeley, Park	34.35
Santa Rosa, First	16.34
Oakland, Fruitvale	35.00
Eden ($20.00 Desig.)	25.00
Fresno, First	12.50
Oakland, Plymouth	111.91
Berkeley, Bethany	50.00
San Francisco, Richmond	50.00
Eureka	47.96
Rio Vista	6.60
Adin	29.14
Woodside	15.00
Oakland, First (Desig. $332.59)	582.59
Grass Valley	18.66
A friend (Desig. $200.00)	200.00
$200.00)	200.00
Cloverdale	50.00
San Francisco, Bethany	35.00
Oakland, Calvary (Desig. $80)	80.00
Tulare	34.35
Fairfax	12.00
Rio Vista	5.50
C. W. M. S. of N. C. (Desig. $3.25)	3.25
Porterville	35.00
Sonoma	26.60
Total	$2923.42

Distribution of Benevolences March 1st-31st, 1924

Amer. Board Commissioners for Foreign Missions	$ 631.85
Amer. Missionary Association	285.33
Annuity Fund	23.83
Con. Church Building Society	141.04
Con. Educational Society	115.22
Conference Expenses	180.19
Cal. Home Missionary Society (Bay Association, $458.58)	1079.33
To C. H. Baker—10% S. S. E. S. fund	4.83
Con. Ministerial Relief Society	46.16
Pac. School of Religion	71.49
S. S. Extension Society	43.51
W. B. M. for the P.	271.83
Mrs. Wingate (5% W. B. M. P. & W. H. M. U.)	28.51
Total	$2923.42

THAT HUNDRED PER CENT STRIDE

In response to many inquiries as to apportionment figures for the churches there has been prepared a table showing the church apportionment and the amounts given in the years 1922, 1923. These aportionments were made for a three year period with the suggestion that 80% of the amount be the normal goal for 1922; 90% the normal for 1923 and that there be an earnest effort to meet the full apportionment during 1924.

The first quarter of 1924 shows an increase over 1923 though not sufficient to attain the desired goal. The special Easter offering will count on the apportionment and there has been a recommendation that the second special offering of the year, namely that on Children's Sunday be used toward employing a Religious Education Director. If there are any glaring errors in these figures they will be corrected next month.

Church	Apportionment	1922	1923
Adin	425	62	116
Alameda, First	1800	573	742
Alturas	425	82	113
Angels Camp	193	39	39
Antioch	259	80	122
Auburn	466	0	77
Bay Point	117	44	128
Benicia	332	106	38
Berkeley, First	10000	6143	8497
Berkeley, Park	800	243	348
Berkeley, North	3000	2038	2556
Berkeley, Bethany	128	56	131
Biola	1073	215	199
Campbell	1250	647	606
Ceres	881	565	782
Cloverdale	494	110	286
Crockett	409	0	263
Dinuba	439	269	275
Earlimart	120	77	0
Etna Mills	256	74	8
Eureka	1220	290	575
Fairfax			66
Ferndale	788	395	355
Fields Landing	100	20	0
Fowler	575	84	65
Fresno, First	1620	1031	1286
Fresno, Kreuz	3179	282	237
Fresno, Zion	1315	205	210
Fresno, Pilgrim	1597	678	446
Fresno, 3rd German	780	119	132
Glen Ellen	128	21	31
Grass Valley	632	251	274
Guerneville	227	107	67
Hayfork	160	0	12
Hayward	325	117	141
Kenwood	165	61	75
Lockeford	300	201	139
Lodi, First	3285	2073	2813
Lodi, Ebenezer	416	195	227
Loomis	520	310	559
Martinez	770	449	339
Mill Valley	525	248	145
Murphys	76	33	48
Niles	400	154	89
Oakland, First	14000	5340	6445
Oakland, Calvary	1044	392	195
Oakland, Pilgrim	603	81	70
Oakland, Fruitvale	1007	392	738
Oakland, Grace	300	67	78
Oakland, Plymouth	3620	883	1791
Oakland, Japanese	400	19	6
Oakland, Boulevard	553	166	279
Oakland, Olivet	704	165	231
Oleander	279	111	270
Oroville	1746	752	1091
Pacific Grove	1206	352	492
Palermo	63	29	45
Palo Alto	1936	1113	1464
Paradise	470	188	676
Parlier	340	25	6
Pescadero	104	1	0
Petaluma			90.55
Pittsburg	473	146	179
Porterville	1423,	439	421
Redwood City	2000	1216	1380
Reedley, Armenian	269	32	10
Reedley, Finnish	150	33	35
Rio Vista	532	36	25
Ripon	358	98	178
Sacramento	1500	391	470
Salida	76	36	8
S. F. First	10664	5812	6634
S. F. Mission Park	1195	455	584
S. F. Ocean View	162	97	117
S. F. Richmond	385	63	92
S. F. Sunset	323	144	178
S. F. Bethany	290	210	319
S. F. Chinese	1246	0	5
Sanger	880	247	175
San Jose	3000	1010	1340
San Juan	206	60	10
S. Leandro (Br'dmoor)			141
San Lorenzo	392	281	206
San Mateo	1424	303	62
San Rafael	457	107	63
Santa Cruz	2070	1058	1749
Santa Rosa, First	582	312	455
Santa Rosa, Todd	133	0	0
Saratoga	1521	1393	1561
Sebastopol	1020	303	202
Sonoma	520	137	261
Soquel	299	103	200
Stockton	3000	2175	3279
Suisun	535	108	152
Sunnyvale	600	147	173
Sunol Glen	75	56	40
Tipton	214	110	41
Tulare	750	424	573
Weaverville	400	88	203
Woodside	175	152	198
Special Gifts			2205

"AUNT MARY ANN" SAYS

Robert Speer's book, "Of One Blood," will be the home mission study text book at Asilomar, Seabeck and many other summer conferences. Rev. A. V. Bliss, New England Secretary of the A. M. A., teaches it at the Congregational Summer Assembly at Colorado Springs.

Roosevelt said once to David Starr Jordan, "It always pays for a nation to be a gentleman." Some people think we are so rich in the United States that we do not have to consider whether it pays in our dealings with Japann.

In spite of the action of Congress, the people of Pasadena dedicated a beautiful Japanese church building on Palm Sunday. The entire cost of the building was raised locally, twelve thousand dollars of it from Americans. This is the outcome of the A. M. A. mission work begun there many years ago.

Rio Grande Institute at Albuquerque will complete a successful year with closing exercises April 24th, under the fine leadership of Rev. M. F. Fifield. Miss Fannie Isham of North Church, Berkeley, who has taught there several years will return soon for the summer.

It is hoped that two of the missionaries of the A. M. A. in the plaza towns of New Mexico, Misses Nichols and Swanson, may be in California during the summer and report some of the interesting experiences of their pioneer work.

Rev. K. Tajima of the Japanese Church of Salt Lake has secured pledges of over $10,000 from Japanese for the erection of a church in that city. Rev. Paul B. Waterhouse, assistant superintendent of Oriental Missions under the A. M. A., is assisting him in raising subscriptions from Americans.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

North Church, Berkeley, has ten retired American Board Missionaries in their membership.

Two years ago Broadmoor Church, San Leandro, began with nine in attendance at Sunday School and attendance has now reached 125.

During 1923 the total amount of contributions on apportionment from Northern California was $62,755, an increase of $12,819 over 1922 contributions.

SONG.

By Louis Ginsberg.

Love that is hoarded, moulds at last
Until we know some day
The only thing we ever have
Is what we give away.

And kindness that is never used
But hidden all alone
Will slowly harden till it is
As hard as any stone.

It is the things we always hold
That we will lose some day;
The only things we ever keep
Are what we give away.

—The Liberator.

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CHURCH NEWS

Ceres—During the week before Easter the new parish house was dedicated and a fellowship dinner and three special meetings were held. Eight joined the church on Easter morning, seven of them on confession of faith. In the evening the young people presented Margaret Slattery's Easter Pageant. "The Meaning of Life." Instead of the usual Christian Endeavor meeting the members of the Society went to the home of Rev. E. O. Skinner, a "shut-in," and sang Easter songs.

First, Berkeley—The church is in the midst of a movement not altogether dissimilar to that of last year when it launched its New Church Building Movement. This year it is not the launching of the movement, but the letting of the contract which is before the mind of the church, and the whole subject is being approached in the same manner that distinguished the approach of last year. None of the church members are being asked for financial help and, though the building committee is now in urgent need of at least $100,000 in cash, the entire matter of subscribing it is being left to the voluntary impulses of the people.

"It has been the ambition of this church to prove that religious devotion is not dead and that people in a right frame of mind will give unto their utmost from the highest motives," said Rev. Oswald W. S. McCall, Pastor of the church.

Fort Bidwell—One hundred and fifty were present at the Indian church held Easter afternoon. The Sunday School gave a program and at the close of the service colored eggs and Easter cards were distributed. At the service held in the white church in the evening the church was filled.

Fresno, First—On Good Friday evening the church was well filled. Communion service was held and the double quartet sang Dubois' Cantata: "The Seven Last Words of Christ."

The church was crowded on Easter morning. Seven babies were baptized. Thirty members were received, thirteen of whom came on confession of faith.

Loomis—Four were received into the fellowship of the church on Palm Sunday, three by letter and one on confession of faith. The division of the membership of the church and the Ladies' Aid has just been completed. Four sections have been created, each with a captain. Each section has certain defined duties pertaining to the church work in the community, and each is made wholly responsible during three months of the year.

Oleander—Rev. S. C. Carson writes that the Sunday School is very much alive and that the teachers are greatly interested. The Loyalty Club raised enough money to paint the church parlor with several coats of white paint. Curtains are ready for the windows and a carpet will be put on the floor, which will make the room a cozy and attractive place for meetings and club work.

Petaluma—Word comes that Easter Sunday was marked by most gratifying services at Petaluma. The artistically arranged floral decorations, the vested choir, with Miss Dorothy Bolz as the organist, the Easter message which was an argument for immortality, all conspired together to create a true Easter atmosphere. Several young people were received into the church, and Mrs. Milton Palmgren sang "The First Easter Morn," and Charles Corbin sang "Far Across the Silver Sea."

Fresno, Pilgrim Armenian—On Easter Sunday seven members were added. Two of them—a husband and wife—were received on confession of faith. Two presented letters from a sister church in California; while three had to be accepted without the medium of a letter, hailing as they did from three different churches in Turkey, once the largest and strongest churches of the kind in that country, which today do not exist. The Communion was held in the afternoon, as a separate occasion from the Easter service in the morning.

During Holy Week meetings of an evangelistic nature were held every day except Saturday. Each night the chapel was nearly full. The Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary," which was sung to an overflowing audience on the evening of Palm Sunday, seemed to create a fitting atmosphere for the special services of the week. Rev. M. G. Papazian, pastor, says concerning the service, "It was an act of worship throughout. We are blessed with a fine organ and a noble organist."

Plymouth, Oakland—"KGO" is scheduled to broadcast a musical and reading program on the evening of May 3 between 8 and 10 p. m. The first part will consist of vocal and instrumental numbers and a reading, "A Connecticut Yankee in California," by Rev. Harry S. McCready, pastor of the church, who has recently been called from Connecticut. The second part of the program will be given by the church mixed quartet, under the direction of Lowell Redfield.

Richmond, San Francisco.—Much interest is being taken in the forward movement of the church. Sixteen members have been added to the rolls during the past few months. One-third of the missionary apportionment for the year has been paid. A new roof of asbestos shingles has been put on the church and the whole church is to be put in first class condition inside and out. Plans are under way for the building of a home for the pastor on the adjoining lot. Every department of the church is growing rapidly and the church is looking forward to the best year in its history.

Sacramento—Plans for a beautiful $110,000 building, exclusive of lot and furnishings, have been adopted by the Sacramento church. Those who are furthering the building plans have received many enthusiastic comments regarding the floor plans and the attractiveness of the exterior. Instead of employing an expert money-raiser to raise funds for the building, it was unanimously voted by the church that several pastors of Northern California be invited to occupy the pulpit for four weeks, beginning May 11, thereby relieving the pastor, Rev. H. H. Gill, for full time leadership in the financial campaign.

The response of pastors and churches has been most encouraging, and the following schedule has been arranged: May 11—Rev. H. V. Miller, Alameda; May 18—Rev. H. V. White, Stockton; May 25—Rev. T. T. Giffen, Fresno; June 1—Rev. W. J. Johnson, Oroville.

It is hoped that $50,000 can be raised among the members and friends of the church at this time. If that is accomplished, the Trustees feel that building operations may be begun at an early date.

San Jose—The forty-ninth birthday of the church was observed on Friday evening, May 2, the church having been recognized by council May 3 1875. Dinner was served and an enjoyable program presented under the direction of Mrs. Vale, Mr. Emerson, Mrs. Hines, Mrs. Leaman, Miss Riebsam, Mr. Hudson and Miss Fox.

San Lorenzo—Easter morning the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Society united in a pageant, beginning at 10:30 o'clock, followed by Easter thoughts by the pastor, together with special music and congregational singing. There was a capacity house and the special Easter offering for the Bay Association totaled $31, the membership of the church being but 37.

San Rafael.—At the annual supper and business meeting, held during April, among the encouraging reports which were given was the report of Sunday School Superintendent L. C. Osteyee, which showed an average attendance of 39 and receipts of $140, a slight increase over the previous year. Three members were voted into the church, two of whom start their membership as officers.

AMERICAN BOARD NEWS

The banishment of the Caliph from Constantinople means that Turkey has disenfranchised Mohammedanism. The Angora Government has completely separated the church from the state. Under the old regime all laws and acts of the government had to conform to the Koran. Now in Turkey, as in the United States, religion does not dictate to the state and the state cannot dictate to religion. The people are still almost 100 per cent Moslems, but in theory every one is free to accept and practice the religion of his choice. This opens a new possibility for our missionaries. The government has asked that schools be opened at Marsovan, Marash, Mardin and Aintab. The college at Smyrna is going strong with a large student body, mostly Turks.

The Cape to Cairo railroad, the completion of which was prevented by the war, is being rapidly pushed to completion. A gap of only 1200 miles remains to be filled up. The problem is the bridge over the Zambezi river. The whole structure will be over two miles long with a bridge span of 4150 feet.

Dr. M. Carey Thomas, former President of Bryn Maur College ,has recently returned from the study of affairs in Europe. He has expressed the opinion that if the Elder Statesmen would get out of the way and let men under forty manage public affairs the problems of Europe would soon be settled.

Recently eleven hundred soldiers of the army of General Feng Yu Hsiang, now quartered near Peking, were baptized. Nine pastors participated, representing several denominations. It is estimated that now thirteen thousand of the thirty composing this army are baptized Christians and 99 per cent of the officers.

Mr. Julius H. Barnes, President of the National Chamber of Commerce, classifies the population of the world as follows:

420,000,000 have high standard of culture and living.

200,000,000 who have emerged from primitiveness and have some culture.

1,200,000,000 who live just above the edge of simple barbarism. These people need everything except the raw gifts of nature, but, most of all and first of all, the Christian gospel and knowledge of the Christ.

"On invitation I preached recently on a week-day to a large congregation of those who left Rome a year ago. Five hundred people, most of whom stood during the entire service; a wretched little light, one for the whole hall. When I had finished the priest said 'Now show us how to have family prayers.' With the light of a candle a few of us around the table tried to conduct model family prayers. As we finished I remarked, 'Thus did your ancestors three hundred years ago read the Bible and pray all over this land.'

'The great cry of the hour is for simple halls in which to preach the gospel. God is raising up men to give the message. Now they need a place to live and a hall to gather those longing to hear the gospel."—From J. S. Porter, Prague, Bohemia.

Edward H Hume, President of Yale in China, recently said: "No better picture of China's aspirations could be presented than by recalling that in the past twelve years, the most discouraging and distressing years that China has ever known, the increase in school attendance has been from one and one half million to seven millions."

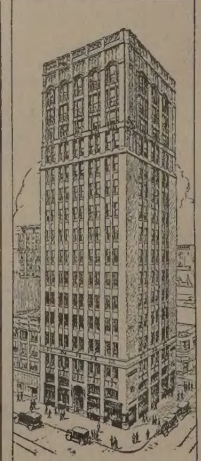
Kindergartens in China

The Union Kindergarten Training School has 22 students this year, a gain of 8 over last year; and they are full to the brim. This will mean 22 more kindergartens in South China eventually. It is hoped and planned that the two new buildings, the teachers' residence and the practice kindergarten, for which legacies have been waiting many years and which could not go up until the main building was erected, may soon be built and relieve the situation.

GETTING ON.
By Anne Orr.

They used to plump me on the floor
To play with toys forevermore.
And there I'd have to stay!
But now the whole house I explore.
I pop in every open door.
I've learned to creep, hurray!

Barbara: (to father reading newspaper): Well, has anyone been born that we know?—Pearson's Magazine.



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